

**§ 12.15–13 Deck engine mechanic.**

(a) An applicant for an endorsement as *deck engine mechanic* shall be a person holding an MMC or MMD endorsed as *junior engineer*. The applicant shall be eligible for such certification upon furnishing one of the following:

(1) Satisfactory documentary evidence of sea service of 6 months in the rating of *junior engineer* on steam vessels of 4,000 horsepower or over; or,

(2) Documentary evidence from an operator of an automated vessel that he has completed satisfactorily at least 4 weeks indoctrination and training in the engine department of an automated steam vessel of 4,000 horsepower or over; or,

(3) Satisfactory completion of a course of training for *deck engine mechanic* acceptable to the Commanding Officer, National Maritime Center.

(b) The Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, who is satisfied that an applicant for the rating of *deck engine mechanic* meets the requirements specified in this section, will endorse this rating on the current MMC held by the applicant.

(c) Any holder of an MMC or MMD endorsed for *any unlicensed rating in the engine department* or *QMED—any rating* is qualified as a *deck engine mechanic* and that endorsement will not be entered on his or her credential.

[CGFR 66–46, 31 FR 13649, Oct. 22, 1966, as amended by CGD 95–072, 60 FR 50460, Sept. 29, 1995; CGD 95–028, 62 FR 51196, Sept. 30, 1997; USCG–1998–4442, 63 FR 52189, Sept. 30, 1998; USCG–2006–24371, 74 FR 11258, Mar. 16, 2009]

**§ 12.15–15 Engineman.**

(a) An applicant for an endorsement as *engineman* shall be a person holding an MMC or MMD document endorsed as *fireman/watertender* and *oiler*, or *junior engineer*. The applicant shall be eligible for such endorsement upon furnishing one of the following:

(1) Satisfactory documentary evidence of sea service of 6 months in any one or combination of *junior engineer*, *fireman/watertender* or *oiler* on steam vessels of 4,000 horsepower or over; or,

(2) Documentary evidence from an operator of a *partially automated* steam vessel that he has completed satisfactorily at least 2 weeks indoctrination and training in the engine department

of a *partially automated* steam vessel of 4,000 horsepower or over; or

(3) Satisfactory completion of a course of training for *engineman* acceptable to the Commanding Officer, National Maritime Center.

(b) The Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, who is satisfied that an applicant for the rating of *engineman* meets the requirements specified in this section, will endorse this rating on the applicant's MMC.

(c) Any holder of an MMC or MMD endorsed for any rating in the engine department, *QMED—any rating* or *deck engine mechanic* is qualified as an *engineman* and that endorsement will not be entered on his or her credential.

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### Subpart 12.25—Certificates of Service for Ratings Other Than Able Seaman or Qualified Member of the Engine Department

**§ 12.25–1 Credentials required.**

Every person employed in a rating other than *able seaman* or *qualified member* of the engine department of U.S. merchant vessels requiring such persons shall produce an MMC or MMD with the appropriate endorsement to the master, or person in charge if appropriate, before signing a shipping articles agreement.

[CGD 95–028, 62 FR 51196, Sept. 30, 1997, as amended by USCG–2006–24371, 74 FR 11258, Mar. 16, 2009]

**§ 12.25–10 General requirements.**

(a) Rating endorsements shall be issued without professional examination to applicants in capacities other than *able seaman*, *lifeboatman*, *tankerman*, or *QMED*. For example, ordinary *seaman*, *wiper*, and *steward's department* (F.H.) endorsements do not require an exam. Holders of MMCs or MMDs endorsed as ordinary *seaman* may serve in any unqualified rating in the deck department. Holders of MMCs or MMDs endorsed as *wiper* may serve in any unqualified rating in the engine

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department. MMCs or MMDs endorsed as steward's department (F.H.) will authorize the holder's service in any capacity in the steward's department. (See §12.02–11(b) of this part for unqualified ratings in the staff department.)

(b) When the holder of an endorsement is qualified as a food handler, the steward's department endorsement will be followed by the further endorsement (F.H.).

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## § 12.25–20 Physical and medical requirements.

The physical and medical requirements for this subpart are found in part 10 of this chapter.

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## § 12.25–25 Members of Merchant Marine Cadet Corps.

No ratings other than cadet (deck) or cadet (engine), as appropriate, and lifeboatman will be shown on an MMC issued to a member of the U.S. Merchant Marine Cadet Corps. The MMC will also indicate that it is valid only while the holder is a cadet in the U.S. Maritime Administration training program. The MMC must be surrendered upon the holder being endorsed in any other rating or upon being issued an officer's endorsement and the rating of cadet (deck) or cadet (engine) will be omitted.

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## § 12.25–30 Student observers.

Students in technical schools who are enrolled in courses in marine management and ship operations who present a letter or other documentary evidence that they are so enrolled shall be issued a MMC endorsed as *student observers—any department* and may be signed on ships as such. Students holding these endorsements will not take the place of any of the crew, or fill any of the regular ratings.

[CGFR 65–50, 30 FR 16640, Dec. 30, 1965, as amended by USCG–2006–24371, 74 FR 11258, Mar. 16, 2009]

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## § 12.25–35 Apprentice engineers.

(a) Persons enrolled in an apprentice engineer training program approved by the Commanding Officer, National Maritime Center, and who present a letter or other documentary evidence that they are so enrolled may be issued an endorsement as apprentice engineer and may be signed on ships as such. The endorsement apprentice engineer may be in addition to other endorsements. However, this endorsement of apprentice engineer does not authorize the holder to fill any of the regular ratings.

(b) Persons holding the endorsement apprentice engineer shall be deemed to be seamen.

[CGFR 66–69, 31 FR 15669, Dec. 13, 1966, as amended by CGD 95–072, 60 FR 50460, Sept. 29, 1995; CGD 95–028, 62 FR 51196, Sept. 30, 1997; USCG–1998–4442, 63 FR 52189, Sept. 30, 1998; USCG–2006–24371, 74 FR 11258, Mar. 16, 2009]

## § 12.25–40 Apprentice mate.

A person enrolled in an apprentice mate training program approved by the Commanding Officer, National Maritime Center who presents a letter or other documentary evidence that he is so enrolled may be issued an endorsement as apprentice mate and may be signed on ships as apprentice mate. The endorsement *apprentice mate* may be in addition to other endorsements. However, this endorsement as apprentice mate does not authorize the holder to fill any of the regular ratings.

[CGD 74–226, 40 FR 33976, Aug. 13, 1975, as amended by CGD 95–072, 60 FR 50460, Sept. 29, 1995; USCG–1998–4442, 63 FR 52189, Sept. 30, 1998; USCG–2006–24371, 74 FR 11258, Mar. 16, 2009]

## § 12.25–45 GMDSS At-sea Maintainer.

An applicant is eligible to have his or her STCW endorsement include a statement of qualification as GMDSS At-sea Maintainer if he or she holds sufficient evidence of having completed a training program that covers at least the scope and content of training outlined in Section B-IV/2 of the STCW Code (incorporated by reference in §12.01–3) for